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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

What Is Claimed Is:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for assembling a clutch system on a drive train[[,]]

comprising the steps of:

integrating clutch plates of the clutch system and at least one part of a dual-mass

flywheel in a transmission;

mounting a secondary mass part of the dual-mass flywheel, the clutch plates, and

a release system for the clutch system as a unit in a clutch bell housing, wherein the unit in the

clutch bell housing is separated from the transmission; and,

wherein installing the clutch system is installed on the transmission; and, after

that joining the transmission is joined to the an engine block.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Currently Amended) The method as described in Claim [[3]] 1, wherein the unit is fixed

in an axial direction within the clutch bell housing.

5. (Original) The method as described in Claim 1, wherein a pilot bearing is integrated

in the parts of the clutch system in order to secure the clutch on the transmission in the radial

direction during assembly.

6. (Currently Amended)

The method as described in Claim 1, wherein further comprising

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the step of integrating at least one part of the dual-mass flywheel is integrated in the engine.

- 7. (Original) The method as described in Claim 6, wherein the primary mass part is attached to a sealed off area of the dual-mass flywheel on the engine shaft.
- 8. (Original) The method as described in Claim 1, wherein during the joining of engine block and transmission, the individual parts of the dual-mass flywheel are connected to each other, a centering and torque transmission being enabled.
- 9. (Withdrawn) The method as described in Claim 1, wherein for dismantling, the transmission is separated from the engine block and then the release system and the clutch bell housing are detached from each other to enable a replacement of individual clutch plates by additional dismantling of the clutch system
- 10. (Currently Amended) The method as described in Claim 1 <u>further comprising the</u>

 <u>step of [[,]] integrating wherein</u> a release system for the clutch system, clutch plates of the clutch

 system and at least on part of a dual-mass flywheel are integrated in the transmission.
- 11. (Currently Amended) The method as described in Claim 10 <u>further comprising</u> the step of [[,]] <u>mounting wherein</u> the release system as well as the secondary mass part of the dual-mass flywheel and the clutch plates are <u>mounted</u> as a unit in the clutch bell housing of the transmission.
- 12. (Currently Amended) The method as described in Claim 1 <u>further comprising the</u>

 <u>step of integrating wherein</u> at least one part of the dual-mass flywheel <u>is integrated</u> in the engine.
- 13. (Currently Amended) The method as described in Claim 12 <u>further comprising</u> the step of [[,]] <u>bolting wherein</u> the primary mass part of the dual-mass flywheel is <u>bolted</u> to the

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engine shaft of the engine.

14. (Original) The method as described in Claim 10, wherein, when joining transmission

and engine block, the primary mass part of the dual-mass flywheel and the clutch system are

connected to each other.

15. (Original) The method as described in Claim 14, wherein a centering element, a

torsional slaving element and an axial fixation are used.

16. (Withdrawn) The method as described in Claim 10, wherein for the dismantling, the

transmission is separated from the engine block in such a manner that the transmission input

shafts are completely extracted from the clutch system and then a lock between the primary mass

part of the dual-mass flywheel and the clutch system is released to enable a replacement of

individual clutch plates by further dismantling.

17. (Original) The method as described in Claim 1, wherein said method is used in a

combination clutch of a seamless transmission (USG) and/or in a dual clutch of a dual clutch

transmission (DKG).

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18. (New) A method for assembling a clutch system on a drive train comprising the

steps of:

integrating clutch plates of the clutch system and at least one part of a dual-mass

flywheel in a transmission;

mounting a secondary mass part of the dual-mass flywheel, the clutch plates, and

a release system for the clutch system as a unit in a clutch bell housing, wherein said unit in said

clutch bell housing is separated from the transmission; and,

installing the clutch system in a combination clutch of a seamless transmission

(USG) and/or in a dual clutch of a dual clutch transmission (DKG).

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